

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1, 2, 4, 6-11, 13, and 15-21 are pending, in which claims 1 and 10 are currently amended, and no claims are canceled, withdrawn from consideration, or newly presented. No new matter is introduced.

The Applicants want to thank Examiner Jae Y. Lee and Supervisory Patent Examiner Daniel J. Ryman for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative, Anita Pellman Gross, during the interview conducted on July 27, 2009. During the interview, the obviousness rejection of independent claims 4 and 13 was discussed.

The Office Action mailed July 1, 2009 rejected claims 1, 2, 4, 6-11, 13, and 15-21 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 based on *Pruthi et al.* (US 2002/0105911) in view of *Bahadiroglu* (US 2002/0186660), *Leftwich* (US 6,356,256), and *Hilliker* (US 2002/0100422).

The Office Action relied upon *Leftwich* and *Hilliker* for "a plurality of specific points are marked by respective markings in the course displayed in the second region and, upon selection of a marking of the markings, a sequence of messages which corresponds to the specific point of the selected marking," which is recited in independent claims 4 and 13. As discussed and agreed upon in the interview, there is no disclosure in *Hilliker* of the markings being selectable. The markings are all generated automatically, and the corresponding values of all of the markers are listed in the table. Further, *Leftwich* does not disclose displaying a "sequence of messages" that correspond to a selected point. Consequently, as discussed and agreed upon in the interview, there is no disclosure in either reference, or the combination thereof, that would suggest displaying a "sequence of messages" dependent upon the selection of a marking.

Independent claims 1 and 10 have, therefore, been amended to include that the markings are selectable and "upon selection of the marking, a sequence of messages which corresponds to

the specific point of the selected marking is read in from the storage device" in claim 1 and "upon selection of the marking, dependent upon the specific point marked by the selected marking, a corresponding sequence of messages is read in by the selector from the storage device" in claim 10. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of this rejection.

Therefore, the present application, as amended, overcomes the objections and rejections of record and is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested. If any unresolved issues remain, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney at (703) 519-9952 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 504213 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully Submitted,

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